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### **Communications Center Grand Opening Celebration**

Waukesha, WIS. – Join Waukesha County Executive Dan Finley on Saturday, May 8, for the Waukesha County Communications Center's free public dedication ceremony and open house.

The dedication ceremony will start at 9 a.m. by recognizing the partnership between the County and the 29 local municipalities participating in the project. It will conclude with a ribbon cutting at the facility entrance and refreshments will be served.

Immediately following the dedication, an open house will be held from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., which will include guided facility tours, mock 9-1-1 call demonstrations and a public safety equipment showcase. Kids of all ages will enjoy meeting local law enforcement personnel and seeing the equipment they use to save lives.

Finley said, "Come help me honor those that contributed to the success of the Communications Center by joining me at the celebration. Together, we can show our support for the project and continued efforts towards operational efficiencies through service consolidation."

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The Communications Center is a state-of-the-art facility designed to provide dispatch services for police, fire and emergency medical personnel in the partnering communities. It will house highly trained staff and the latest technology needed to provide citizens with the best public safety dispatch services possible.

“Many people worked tirelessly to bring this project to fruition,” said Finley. “Their efforts led to a dynamic local government partnership that sought to improve service delivery by working together to reduce duplication, which will save the taxpayers millions of dollars.”

The dedication ceremony and open house are being held prior to transferring current dispatch services over to the building. After the facility is fully operational, public tours will not be permitted. Don’t miss this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to witness the dispatch service in action.

The Communications Center is located at 1621 Woodburn Rd. in Waukesha. From I-94, take Exit C.T.H. “T” (Grandview Blvd.) south. The building is at the southeast corner of Woodburn Rd. and Grandview Blvd.

If you have questions, please contact Meghan Walsh in the County Executive’s Office at (262) 548-7902.

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